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ANTIFERROMAGNETIC LAYER

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated April 2, 2002,  
concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Please amend the application as follows:

**In the claims:**

Please cancel claims 11-20, 22, 23, 26-29 and 38-40 without prejudice or  
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